

Newlon

Dear Vernon

19 Nov.

Here are fall migration dates - some that they are late but have been super-busy the last month. Also I guess I'm not too clear on what the official "due" dates really are. Some outdated reports (golden eagles, Merlin, Cassin's vireo, hybrid species) will follow in a day or so.

Best regards

Nile Newlon.

late arrivals:

Myrtle warbler 11/25 from CA

White-winged crossbill 3551
299/min

11/25 from CA

⇒ all records from the Iowa CA area except the 10/18 trip which was to the MK. Tamarin NWR, Wapella Dis, near Wapella IA.



Summary and hot stuff

lemons, C. G. 11/9 Coralville Reservoir
grebe, h. 1 10/25 " "

pelican, white: I got 2 independent reports of a
white pelican in Iowa City area. (Paul
Milkman, Dick Decastren).

cormorant, d-c. 2 10/25 Coralville Res.

goose, white-fr. 4 10/18 Mark Twain Refuge.

bald eagle: 1 imm 8/23 (early) Coralville Res.
1 imm 10/18 Mark Twain Refuge
1 ad 11/15 DeSoto Bend Refuge

golden eagle 1 ad 10/25 Coralville Res.

accipiter: scarce

merlin 1 9/12 Coralville Res.

kestrel: scarce (only 2 8/16 - 11/16)

shorebirds: The very dry summer dried up many
ponds and swales, but created lots of mud
on the Coralville Reservoir, with the result that
it held many shorebirds until 10/1 when the water
level was raised. After that, only 1 pond held
any birds, and these stayed around until
the end of Oct. (records connected by dotted
line).

phalarope, N. 1 8/31 Coralville Res.

nighthawks present in Iowa City until 8/31 in
good numbers - a migrating flock of 200 was
seen 8/31 - thereafter there were only a few

flickers: a "hybrid" flicker was seen 11/1 in
Iowa City - had head pattern of "red-shafted"
but a faint red crescent on nape. wings and

tail linings were red.

Passerines generally: except for swallows, this has been a poor migration for them. Low numbers most marked for insect-eaters (thrushes, warblers, vireos, Kinglets); sparrows picked up in late Oct. The dry summer may have held insect populations down. A few migrant warblers as early as 8/16 - did they all go south early? (I was away the 1st part of Aug.).

bluebirds: only record 8 8/16 Coralville Res.

nuthatches: 1 red-breast 10/18 Mark Twain Refuge.

wrens: S-b marsh locally common in high-grass areas near Coralville Res in Aug. Carolina wren: 4 in Iowa City in Nov (saw 2 in Hickory Hill Pk, got 2 more reports from different areas of Iowa City: FW Kent, N Halmi, M. Glosson).

missed altogether: rusty blackbird, sapsucker, towhee.

warblers: 1 Cape May 9/14 Cedar Bluff; Nick Halmi has seen 3 others.

→ winter finches: purple finches around in small numbers but ahead of last year.; 2 siskins 9/16; M. Glosson reports evening grosbeaks (11/8-11/15) Coralville Reservoir.

icterids: bobolinks stayed late (to 8/31) at the Coralville Reservoir.

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| loon, c. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | 6 | |
| grebe, p.b. , ch. | | | | | | 31 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | | 2 | 2 | 2 | | 1 | | |
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| cormorant dc | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | | | | |
| heron gb | 4 | 40 | 20 | 20 | 60 | 50 | 75 | 40 | + | + | 10 | 1 | 5 | 11 | | | | 4 | |
| gr. | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| egret, gr. | | | | | | 1 | | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| goose, c. , w-f , Blue | | | | | | | | | 13 | 12 | 20 | 1500 | 260 | 150 | 20 | | | 1 | |
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| mallard | | 3 | | | 2 | | | | + | + | 10 | 2 | 25 | 2000 | 4000 | | | 3500 | 50 |
| gadwall | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4 |
| pintail | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 30 | 5 | 50 | 500 | | | 500 | |
| teal, g-w | 3 | | | 2 | | | | 1 | 2 | | | 50 | | | 500 | | | 500 | |
| , b-w | 5 | 5 | | 70 | | 60 | 12 | 6 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| wigeon, Am | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4 | 50 | 500 | | | 500 | |
| shorelark, N | 6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| duck, wood | 2 | 20 | 2 | 25 | 2 | | | 12 | | | | | | | 2 | | | | |
| redhead | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 25 |
| duck, n-m | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | | | | 25 |
| canvasback | | | | | | | | 2 | | | | | | | | 5 | | 5 | |
| sculp, l. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 100 | | | | | 400 |
| duck, ruddy | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | | | | |
| meganser, C. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 7 |
| , n-b. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4 |
| duck sp | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1500 | | | | 200 | 30 | |

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| dunlin | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 12 3 |
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| sandp., stilt | | 8 | 3 | | 21 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| , seri | | 10 | 50 | 50 | 25 | 1 | | | 3 | | 3 | | 3 | | | | | | |
| , w. | | 4 | 2 | 4 | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| sanderling | | 2 | 1 | | | | | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| phalarope, N. | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| gull, n-b. | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | 85 | 10 | | | | 1 |
| , Fn. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | | | | | |
| , Bma | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | | | | | |
| tern, Casp. | | | | | | | 4 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| , Black | | 5 | 1 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| dove, m. | 5 | + | + | 25 | + | + | + | 10 | + | + | + | 2 | 2 | | | | | | 1 |
| cuckoo yb | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| bl-b | | | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| owl, gr-h. | | | | | | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nighthawk | ... present | Insect | | 200 | | | 1 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| swift, ch | + | + | | 2 | | | | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| hummingbird at | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| kingfisher, b | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 |
| wdph, cl | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | | 2 | 2 | | 1 | | | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 4 | | 1 |
| , h | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 |
| , n-head. | 2 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 7 | 3 | | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| , n-bel. | | | | | | | 2 | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | 2 | | 1 |
| flicker, com. | 5 | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 6 | 6+4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 1 | | | | 1 | 3 | | 1 |

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| Kingbird, e | 2 | 2 | 1 | 40 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| flyc, g-cr. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| peewee, e.w. | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| flyc., o-s. | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| phoebe, e | 2 | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
| lark, h. | | 2 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 2 | | 12 | | 2 | | | | | 8 | | | 6 | |
| swallow, tree | | 4 | | | | 2 | | 4000 | 2600 | 2050 | 100 | 200 | 20 | 8 | | | | 1 | |
| , bank | 20 | 500 | 200 | | 2000 | 1000 | 2000 | 250 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| , barn | 3 | 10 | 50 | 20 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 20 | 20 | | | 2 | | | | | | |
| , cliff | 200 | 500 | 500 | 50 | 2000 | 2500 | 2000 | 250 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| meadow sp. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| crow, c | | 1 | 3 | | + | + | 2 | 4 | + | + | + | 9 | 2 | 6 | + | 2 | 5 | 4 | |
| jay, bl. | 1 | | 1 | 1 | + | + | 8+3 | 1 | + | + | + | 7 | 20 | 15 | + | 10 | 1 | 15 | |
| chickadee, bc | 2 | + | | + | | + | 5 | | + | | | 6 | 1 | 2 | 9 | + | 15 | 6 | |
| titmouse, t. | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 2 | 1 | | | 2 | | |
| nuthatch, wb | 2 | | | | | | 2 | | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| nb | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| erepsa, br. | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | |
| wren, h | | 2 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| , car. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| , l-b m. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| , s-b m. | 5 | 9 | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

2 (resident Hickory Hill)

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| house spn. | + | + | + | + | + | + | | | | + | + | | + | + | | | | | + |
| bobolink | 3 | 6 | 3 | 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| meadowlark sp | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | | | | | |
| blackbird, r-w | 3 | 1 | | 2 | + | + | 200 | 100 | 200 | 200 | 100 | 20 | 100 | 300 | 500 | 200 | 3 | 20 | |
| oriole, N. | 5 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| grackle, C. | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | + | + | 200 | 100 | 300 | 300 | 50 | 1 | 2 | 20 | 300 | 500 | | | 200 |
| cowbird b-h | | | | | | 1 | | 200 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| cardinal | 3 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | 2 | 4 | 2 | 3 | | 11 | | | 1 |
| grosbeak nb | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| bunting, ind. | 10 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| finch, p | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| siskin, pine | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| goldfinch | 10 | 4 | | 6 | + | + | 1 | 1 | | | 10 | 3 | 3 | 12 | + | 40 | 6 | 5 | |
| towhee r-s | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 8 | | 4 | |
| sparrow, sav. | | 2 | 1 | 10 | 12 | 3 | | 1 | 10 | 5 | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 |
| vesper | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | 2 | 2 | | | | | | |
| lark | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| juncos, d-e | | | | | | | | | | | 10 | 2 | | 20 | | 10 | 15 | 15 | |
| sparrow, tree | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6 | 2 | |
| chip. | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6 | | | | | | |
| field | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | | 4 | | 1 | | | | |
| w-c | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | | 1 | | | | 1 | | |
| w-t | | | | | | | | | | | 20 | | 10 | 5 | | | | | |
| fox | | | | | | | | | | | 3 | 1 | 4 | | | | | | 3 |
| lme | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 4 | 2 | | | | | |
| Sw. | | | | | | | | | | 10 | 10 | | 10 | | 1 | | | 20 | |
| smg | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 10 | | 1 | 2 | 10 | | |
| Longspur, Lap. | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | | |